

conversation happening tti turn on Hamburg I asked him whether he had not disclosed what I wished him to conceal ? <sup>fi</sup> Well/' said he, " then\* is no harm in telling the truth now, After you had left Hamburg the Kiiitf wrote to me inquiring the name of the author of the hist, draft I had sent him, which was very different from all that hud preeeded It. I did not answer this question, but tin\* King having repeated il in a second letter, and having demanded an answer, I was compelled to break my promise to you, and I put into the post.-oiliee of Gothenbcrg in Sweden a letter for the King, in which I mentioned your name.<sup>11</sup>

The mystery was now revealed to me. I elrarly .saw what had excited in Napoleon's mind the .suspicion that I wan carrying on intrigues with England, I have no tioubt as to the way in which the affair came to his knowledge. The King must have disclosed my name to one of those persons whose situations placed them itkrn\* the suspicion of\* any betrayal of confidence, and thus the circumstance must have reached the ear of Bonaparte. This is not a mere hypothesis, lor I well know how promptly and faithfully Napoleon was informed of all that was said and done at II art well.

Having shown General Driven Najwleon's ueeusatory letter, lie tagged that I would intrust him with it for a day or two, saying he would show it to the King at u private audience, Hie object wan to serve me, anil to excite Louis XVIIL's interest in my behalf, by briefly relating to him the whole affair. The general came to me on leaving the Tuileries, und assured me that the King, after perusing tin\* letter, hud the great kindness to observe that I might think myself very happy in not having town shot 1 know not whether 'Napo» leon was afterwards informed of the details of this affair, which certainly had no connection with any intrigues with England, and which, after all, would have ! w\*Ht a mere peccadillo in comparison with the conduct I thought it my duty to adopt at the time of the Restoration.

Meanwhile Madame de Bourriectmu informed fiw by an express that seals were to be placed on tin\* i\*fli\*ct» of nil tlin persons included in the decree of Lyons, and